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# Application Period Opens for 2018 Excellence in Energy and Environmental Education Awards

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**BOSTON** — The Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) today announced it is now accepting nominations for its annual Secretary's Awards for Excellence in Energy and Environmental Education until March 30, 2018. EEA Secretary Matthew Beaton will present awards this spring to

Massachusetts teachers and students involved in school-based programs that promote environmental and energy education.

“The Baker-Polito Administration continues to promote hands-on environmental and energy education in order instill in our youth an appreciation for the natural world,” **said EEA Secretary Matthew Beaton.** “I encourage residents and educators to nominate any outstanding school programs and teachers that are working to engage students in today’s critical environmental and energy challenges.”

All public and private Massachusetts schools (K-12) that offer energy and environmental education programs are eligible to apply for the Secretary’s Award. In 2017, 33 schools and nonprofit organizations across the state were recognized for their work on issues including air quality, energy conservation, renewable energy, ocean science and wildlife conservation.

The Secretary’s Advisory Group on Energy and Environmental Education will review applications at the beginning of April 2018. Qualified entrants are invited to attend a formal award ceremony with Secretary Beaton at the State House later in the spring.

[Click here for application.](#)

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